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SUBJ: SHAH AND KING HUSSEIN'S VIEWS ON IRAQ

1. MINISTER OF COURT ALAM SUMMONED ME EVENING OF JULY 27 AND TOLD ME THAT HE HAD JUST COME FROM A MEETING WITH THE SHAH AND VISITING JORDANIAN KING HUSSEIN. HE SAID THAT BOTH MONARCHS HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO TELL US THAT THEY HAVE HEARD FROM EGYPTIAN SOURCES THAT IRAQ IS ATTEMPTING TO IMPROVE ITS RELATIONS WITH ARAB COUNTRIES AND TO LOOSEN ITS TIES WITH THE SOVIET UNION. BOTH MONARCHS, HOWEVER, DOUBT THE SINCERITY OF IRAQI INTENTIONS AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS SIMPLY A TACTICAL MOVE TO DIVERT ATTENTION FROM IRAQ'S SERIOUS INTERNAL PROBLEMS.

2. ALAM SAID THAT THE TWO MONARCHS ASKED THAT THE US LOOK INTO THIS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEIR ASSESSMENT IS ACCURATE. THEY BELIEVE THAT IT IS AND ASSUME THAT WE WILL REACH THE SAME CONCLUSION. THEY ASK THAT WE CONVEY OUR FINDINGS BACK TO THEM, BUT ALSO MOST IMPORTANTLY THAT WE CONVEY THEM TO THE EGYPTIANS. ALAM SAID THAT QUITE FRANKLY THE REASON FOR ASKING US TO INFORM THE EGYPTIANS OF OUR FINDINGS IS DUE TO THE FEELING THAT IT MAY BE BOTH BETTER AND MORE BELIEVABLE COMING FROM US THAN COMING FROM IRAN OR JORDAN.

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3. ALAM ASKED THAT WE MOVE QUICKLY ON THIS MATTER AND KEEP HIM

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